

AUBURN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

Thursday, June 11, 2009 8:00 a.m.

Auburn Civic Center, Rose Room, Auburn, CA 95603

Meeting called to order by Chair Louise Burda Gilbert

A quorum was declared. Those present: Everett Jensen, Aloha Baumgarten, Louise Burda Gilbert, Sue Dings, Kristin Aplin, Marti Niles, Mary Beauchamp, Lee Buckingham, Gallery Volunteer Mariko Leonard, and City Manager, Robert Richardson. Lee Buckingham was introduced and welcomed as a new Commissioner.

Minutes of May 21, 2009 were accepted.

Project Reports: Art in Public Places

Streetscape project: As a result of the June 9 field trip to the Van Howd gallery, Louise asked the Commissioners to offer their opinions & suggestions regarding the selection of sculptures for the Streetscape project. After discussion, Marti Niles moved, Aloha Baumgarten seconded to recommend to City Council that they accept the offer of Doug Van Howd to install his Pony Express bronze sculpture for \$130,000. Passed, with Everett Jensen abstaining.

Marti and Louise have an appointment to visit J Randall Smith's gallery to view possible sculptures for the two smaller pedestals.

Bob Richardson pointed out that the city council is willing to consider multiple options on the art pieces, the theme, the timing of installation and cost. He emphasized the funds are from Redevelopment, not the City budget.

Bob Richardson will arrange to have the streetscape area marked and plan a time when the Commissioners can view & discuss the project on site with him. [Arranged for June 30, 6 p.m.. The plan is to meet at the Clock Tower after a visit to J Randall studios at 5:30 p.m.] All arts commissioners and Bob and Bridget are encouraged to attend the meeting at J Randall studio. Louise offered to find out the size of the Van Howd Hawk. Kristin will email pictures of Western States buckles showing a cougar & horse with rider.

Elks Club wall mural: Patrick Shields plans to install his "Spirit of the Horse" mural on the Elks Club wall beginning July 1. Kristin reported the Veterans Club parking lot will be a good place to view the mural at an Art Walk.

Dancing Dog mural: Louise displayed Gary Graham's mural sample approved by the Commission for the wall of Dancing Dog Productions. He and his student are willing to install a portion of the mural for \$5000, plus \$1000 for wall preparation. Louise will form subcommittee with Kristin Aplin and Mary Beauchamp to move this project forward.

City Hall Gallery: Mariko Leonard, the AAC Volunteer Gallery Coordinator distributed a new schedule for the 2009 and 2010 gallery shows. Everett Jensen and his students are currently displaying their art during May and June. Hannah Peterson, chair of Auburn's Youth Commission, is arranging a gallery show of local youth art for July & August. It was suggested Mariko ask potential gallery artists to submit samples of their works for her to preview if their works are unknown to her.

Auburn Placer Performing Arts Center: A stage with a ramp is being built by volunteers for the many performances planned for 2009-2010. A screen and movie projector have been purchased.

School Park Preserve: World Music Day is June 20, 12 to 5 p.m. at the School Park Preserve. April Maynard is spearheading the celebration on behalf of Placer Arts, in cooperation with Auburn Arts Commission and APPAC. April approved the Arts Commission selling bottled water as a fundraiser for public art. Aloha, is donating 210 bottles of water. Kristin & Marti volunteered to sell.

Guide to Public Art Brochure: Kristin and Marti volunteered to distribute the public art brochures to businesses in the Auburn area. It was suggested that as new public art is displayed, a list could be inserted in the brochure. Sue will email the guide list to all commissioners.

New Business:

Everett Jensen reported he is resigning from the Arts Commission. Louise offered her regrets, and commended Everett for his service to the City and arts community.

Next meeting date is changed to July 16th in **Room 10 at 7:30 a.m.**

Meeting adjourned: at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by Sue Dings, Secretary

Next Meeting July 16, 7:30 a.m. Room 10

